

Tilapa Otomi

Tilapa Otomi is a seriously endangered native American language spoken by less than a dozen people in the village of Santiago Tilapa, between Toluca and the DF in Mexico State. It has been classified as Eastern Otomi by Lastra (2006).^[1] but in reality "Eastern Otomi" in Lastra's classification is a broader term for a "conservative variety". It is a language closely related to Acazulco and Atlapulco Otomi. It also shows a number of idiosyncratic innovations which make it stand as a different language, probably the closest one to Colonial Otomi. Its system of verbal conjugations is highly complex compared to the Mezquital varieties.^[3]

Notes

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3. Palancar, Enrique (2012). "The conjugation classes of Tilapa Otomi: An approach from canonical typology" (<http://surreyweblb.surrey.ac.uk/englishandlanguages/research/smug/canonicaltypology/Tilapa%20Otomi%20Conjugation%20Classes.pdf>) (PDF). *Linguistics*. 50 (4).

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Native to	Mexico
Region	Santiago Tilapa
Native speakers	100 (2006) ^[1]
Language family	Oto-Manguean <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Oto-Pamean ▪ Otomian ▪ Eastern ▪ Tilapa Otomi
Writing system	Latin
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	otl
Glottolog	tila1239 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/tila1239) ^[2]

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